Alaska Department of Revenue Permanent Fund Dividend Division

Overview of the 2008 Dividend Calculation

To help smooth out year-to-year volatility in dividend amounts, the amount of each year's dividend is calculated using a formula that averages the Permanent Fund's realized earnings over the previous five years. Here is how it works:

1. Add the Fund's statutory net income* from the previous five years.

	(in millions/rounded)	
FY 2004	1,502	*Statutory net income equals realized earnings excluding income from North Slope royalty case, State v. Amerada Hess, et al.
FY 2005	1,754	
FY 2006	2,690	
FY 2007	3,428	
FY 2008	2,938	
Total	\$12,312	

2. Multiply by statutory 21% for an average of the five year earnings

3. Divide in half for the statutory percentage of earnings allocated for dividends

4. Add FY 2009 Permanent Fund Dividend Fund beginning balance

5. Subtract prior year obligations, designated state expenses and cost of operating the Permanent Fund Dividend Division

6. Subtract reserves for payment of prior year dividends

7. Divide by the estimated number of eligible dividend applicants

8. Add the one time Alaska Resource Rebate to each dividend

$$$2,069.00 + $1,200.00 = $3,269.00$$

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